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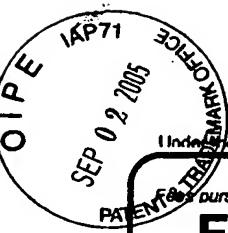
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
50	25

Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent

200	100
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Multiple dependent claims

360	180
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**Total Claims**

15	- 20	=	0	x	50	=	0
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**Multiple Dependent Claims**

Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
1	- 3	=	0

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 1, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the Abstract is attached following page 6 of this paper.